

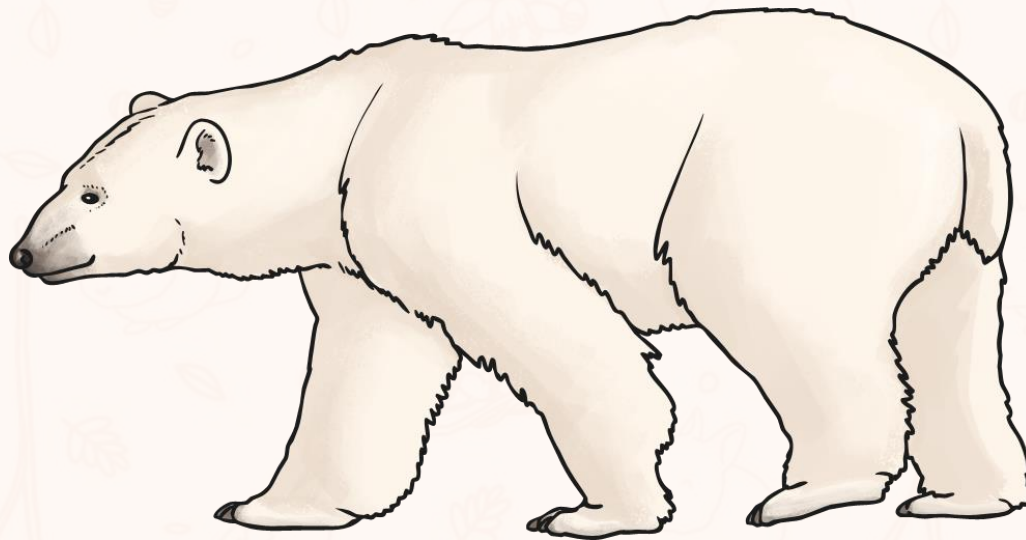
# Adding the Suffix -ness



For this week's spellings, we are looking at words that are created by adding the suffix -ness.

Can you spot the -ness suffix word in this sentence?

Because of its fierceness, the new polar bear had to be kept in its own separate enclosure at the zoo.





Can you spot the -ness suffix word in this sentence?

Due to his carelessness behind the wheel, Charles caused a traffic accident.



What kind of words have we created when the -ness suffix has been added?

fierceness

carelessness



They are both **nouns** that have been created by adding -ness to an adjective.

Many words (but not all) that end in the suffix **-ness** are a special type of noun called an 'abstract noun'.

fierceness

carelessness

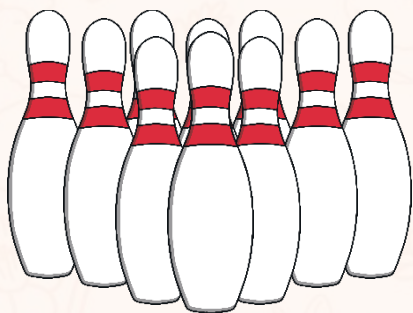


Abstract nouns describe a state of mind, a feeling, a quality or a characteristic that you cannot physically see.



We are going to play 'Ten Strikes and You're Out!' – can you and your partner guess the letters within each of these –ness suffix words before it's too late?

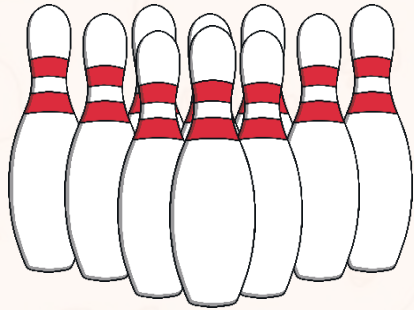
Every time you guess a letter incorrectly, click the 'Uh-Oh' button to make a pin disappear. Can you guess all of the letters before you strike out?



Uh-Oh!

— — — — —

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i
j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r
s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	

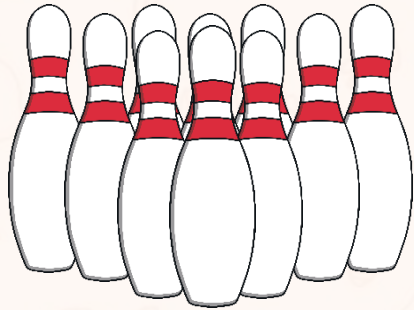


Uh-Oh!

The state of being content.

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a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i
j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r
s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	



Uh-Oh!

The quality of being unpleasant.

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a

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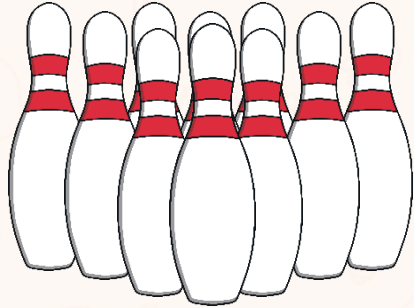
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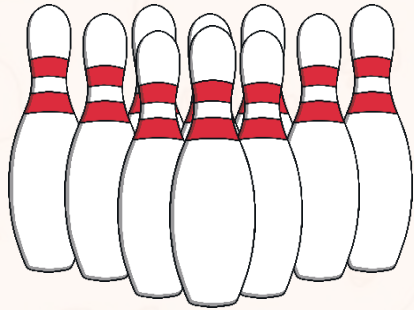


Uh-Oh!

The state of being prepared to do something.

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j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r
s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	

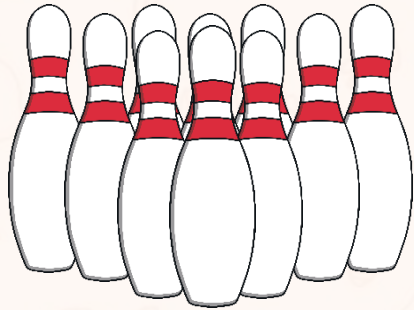


Uh-Oh!

The state of being hygienic.

— — — i — — — s ✨

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i
j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r
s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	



Uh-Oh!

The state of behaving immaturely.

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a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i
j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r
s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	



Most root words remain unchanged when they are turned into nouns using the suffix -ness, e.g.

willing + ness = willingness

However, root words that end in 'y' usually change it to 'i' when the -ness suffix is added, e.g.

nasty + ness = nastiness



Can you think of anymore -ness suffix words where this would happen?

# Here are your spelling words for this week.

## **Week 2** **Creating** **nouns using** **-ness suffix**

happiness

hardness

madness

nastiness

silliness

tidiness

childishness

willingness

carelessness

foolishness

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Don't forget if the root adjective ends in a 'y', it usually needs changing to an 'i' before the suffix -ness is added.



